



FBI TEEN ACADEMY APPLICATION

San Diego Division 2016

Student Candidate Information

Name (Last, First, Middle)			
Grade level (2015-16 school year)			
Home Street Address			
City/State		ZIP Code	
Home Phone		Cell Phone	
E-Mail Address		Referred By	
School Activities (attach page if necessary):			
Community Involvement (attach page if necessary):			

Parent/Guardian Information and Approval

Name (Last, First, Middle)			
Street Address			
City/State		ZIP Code	
Home Phone		Cell Phone	
Business Phone		E-Mail	
Emergency, please call			
Signature			
Date			

School Information and Approval

Name			
Street Address			
City/State		ZIP Code	
Phone		E-Mail	
School Official			
Official's Position			
Phone		E-Mail	
Applicant's GPA			
Official's Signature			
Date			

The FBI San Diego Division invites all high school sophomores and juniors to apply to attend one of the two 2016 FBI San Diego Teen Academies, which will be held June 29, 2016, and August 17, 2016, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Punctuality, professional behavior, and appropriate dress will be required of all students attending this program.

Due to the vast diversity in our workforce, any student with an interest in the FBI, what we do, and how a relationship with the FBI can help their school is encouraged to apply. The program is not exclusive to students interested in criminal justice. All students will be evaluated based on their application (school activities and community involvement) and essay to determine which students will be offered a seat in the class. None of the above elements will be the sole basis of evaluation of an application, and the application process should be taken seriously by all applicants.

This application, supporting essay, and release form **must be received at the following address by 4 p.m. on April 18, 2016**, for panel review. Incomplete and late applications will not be accepted.

FBI San Diego Division
Attn: Community Outreach Specialist
10385 Vista Sorrento Parkway
San Diego, CA 92121

E-mail completed, scanned applications to Cheryl.Dorenbush@ic.fbi.gov

Application Checklist:

- ☐ Student application:
 - Student information complete;
 - Parent/guardian information complete and signed;
 - School information complete;
 - Endorsing school official information complete;
 - School official notation of student's GPA (checks will be made).

- ☐ Essay indicating 1) why the student wants to be part of the program and 2) how the experience will serve his or her school and community:
 - Typed in 12-point font (Arial or Times New Roman)
 - No more than one page, single-spaced;
 - Essay format (at least three paragraphs) with proper grammar, capitalization, and punctuation;
 - Name and e-mail at the top right corner of each page. Indicate which date you would prefer to attend.

- ☐ Release/indemnity form signed by parent/guardian indicated on the application form.

Students will be notified of their application status via e-mail by close of business on May 15, 2016. Students selected to attend the FBI Teen Academy will be given additional information about the program and will be required to confirm their planned attendance.

Questions regarding the FBI Teen Academy or the application process can be directed to Community Outreach Specialist Cheryl Dorenbush at (858) 320-8313 or Cheryl.Dorenbush@ic.fbi.gov.

Frequently Asked Questions Regarding the FBI Teen Academy

Q. Is the program only for high school students?

A. Yes, the program has been designed for high school sophomores and juniors to ensure that they have at least one year remaining in their academic career at their high school. This enables students to share the information they have learned and serve as peer mentors, when appropriate.

Q. Is the essay important?

A. Yes, the essay is important, as it is the first element of the application package that is reviewed by our panelists. This essay offers the review panel insight into the student's expectations, reasons for attending, and how the student intends to use the information to benefit his or her school and community. A high GPA in absence of a well-written essay and vice versa can be problematic.

Q. Do 4.0 students get a guaranteed seat in the class?

A. No student will be assured a seat by GPA alone. All students must submit a well-written essay detailing why they want to attend the academy and how the experience will benefit their school and/or community. Students should list all school activities and community involvement that demonstrate that he or she is a well-rounded student.

Q. Is a particular GPA required?

A. GPA is not the only method of student evaluation and a minimum GPA is not stated; however, given the competitive nature of the application process, it is advantageous for a student to have a combination of a good GPA, well-written essay, school activities, and community involvement.

Q. Does a student have to have specific experience or interest in law enforcement to be a successful candidate?

A. No, a student does not need to be in a criminal justice program, explorers program, ROTC, etc. The primary objective is to identify students who are capable of leadership and have an interest in what the FBI does.

Q. Is this experience similar to an internship?

A. The FBI Teen Academy is not an internship, and while students may be offered case studies drawn from adjudicated cases and may be given hands-on experiences in a simulated scenario, students will not be exposed to active cases, day-to-day investigations, or sensitive information.

Q. I love forensic science! Will I get to learn techniques?

A. While students will be exposed to some basic evidence collection techniques during one of the many sessions, the day covers a wide variety of topics from a classroom and experiential perspective as well as concepts that are designed to enhance student awareness of issues such as cybercrime, drugs, gangs, and more.



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**PHOTOGRAPH CONSENT/
RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**

As _____ (*child's full name, please print*) is a participant of the event on _____ (*insert date*), I understand that any and all photographs taken by a Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)-designated photographer may be used by the FBI for promotional purposes.

I, _____ (*parent/guardian's name, please print*), consent to _____'s (*child's name*) photograph being taken and authorize the use of said photograph(s) in print, online post, or any other manner in which the FBI deems appropriate, including, but not limited to, the FBI website, the FBI Community Outreach Facebook page, and other related publications.

I, _____ (*parent/guardian's name, please print*), the undersigned, in consideration of the FBI allowing my child's participation in this event, which I acknowledge is good and valuable consideration, agree to indemnify and hold harmless the United States and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, its employees, contractors, and other personnel from any claim, action, liability, loss, damage, or suit arising from my child's participation in the event. In the event the undersigned shall fail to indemnify and hold harmless, the undersigned further agrees to pay all reasonable attorney's fees and costs necessary to enforce this agreement or to defend any action brought in default of this agreement. The agreement shall be unlimited as to amount and duration. The agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties, their successors, assigns, and personal representatives.

_____, Parent Guardian of

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print)

Child's Name (Please Print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date